(b) It is the principal purpose of the states in executing this compact to establish an identifiable compromise boundary between said counties of the states for the entire distance thereof as of the effective date of this compact without interfering with or otherwise affecting private rights or titles to property, and the states declare that further compelling purposes of this compact are: (1) to create a friendly and harmonious interstate relationship; (2) to avoid multiple exercise of sovereignty and jurisdiction including matters of taxation, judicial and police powers and exercise of administrative authority; (3) to encourage settlement and disposition of pending litigation and criminal proceedings and avoid or minimize future disputes and litigations; (4) to promote economic and political stability; (5) to encourage the optimum mutual beneficial use of the Missouri River, its waters and its facilities; (6) to establish a forum for settlement of future disputes; (7) to place the boundary in a new or reestablished location which can be identified or located; and (8) to express the intent and policy of the states that the common boundary between said counties be established within the confines of the Missouri River and both states shall continue to have access to and use of the waters of the river.

ARTICLE II. Establishment of Boundary

(a)The permanent compromise boundary line between said counties of the states shall be fixed at the centerline of the designed channel of the Missouri River (the westerly channel adjacent to Section 5, Township 29 North, Range 7 East of the 6th P.M. shall be considered the main channel). The state of Nebraska and the state of South Dakota by the ratification of this document agree to accurately describe the centerline of the design channel by reference to permanent monuments which shall be placed at locations which are easily accessible and safe from destruction. The Nebraska State Surveyors Office and a representative from South Dakota shall jointly supervise and approve placement of the monuments and the location of the compact boundary. Upon completion, the maps and record of the survey shall be incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference. Said maps shall be placed on file with the

secretaries of state of South Dakota and Nebraska. The approval of contracts and all necessary costs for the accurate survey and placement of proper monuments shall be shared equally between the states of South Dakota and Nebraska.

(b) This centerline of the channel of the Missouri River as described on said survey shall hereinafter be referred to as the "compromise boundary."

ARTICLE III. Relinquishment of Sovereignty

On the effective date of this compact, the state of South Dakota hereby relinquishes to the state of Nebraska all sovereignty over lands lying on the Nebraska side of said compromise boundary and the state of Nebraska hereby relinquishes to the state of South Dakota all sovereignty over lands lying on the South Dakota side of the compromise boundary.

ARTICLE IV. Pending Litigation

Nothing in this compact shall be deemed or construed to affect any litigation pending in the courts of either of the states concerning title to any of the lands, sovereignty over which is relinquished by the state of South Dakota to the state of Nebraska or by the state